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• Comments: Application # 09/889, 496

PATENT
0365-0510P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SALMI, Maarit et al. Conf.: 4193
Appl. No.: 09/889,496 Group: UNASSIGNED
Filed: July 18, 2001 Examiner: UNASSIGNED
For: PAINT COMPOSITIONS

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.182 FOR CHANGE
IN NAME OF AN INVENTOR

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

December 20, 2001

Sir:

We hereby petition for recognition of the name change for one of the inventors on the above-identified application. We have enclosed a Notarized Affidavit attesting to the name change as well as the appropriate petition fee of \$130.00.

The Affidavit indicates that Ms. Maarit Salmi, the first inventor named on US Patent Application Number 09/889,496, changed her last name to Lahtinen upon marriage in July 1999. This new surname (Lahtinen) was recorded with the City Administrative Court of Heinola, Finland on July 31, 1999.

The enclosed Affidavit is signed only with the name "Maarit Lahtinen," the inventor's name after marriage. According to Finnish Law, a person cannot sign official documents with a false name. Since Ms. Maarit Salmi has changed her name to Maarit Lahtinen, which is now her legal name, she cannot sign a document using her old name of Maarit Salmi. Were she to do this, the notary public would be unable to certify Ms. Lahtinen's signing of the Affidavit. As further proof of Ms. Lahtinen's name change due to marriage, we enclose a copy of the marriage certificate (Extract From the Population Information System

in Finland). In view of these requirements of Finnish Law, we respectfully request that the Affidavit be accepted and this petition be granted.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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By 

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Enclosures: -Extract from the Population Information
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-Affidavit

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AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned Maarit Johanna Lahtinen, state that I was born Maarit Johanna Salmi, and I subsequently changed my surname from Salmi to Lahtinen because of marriage. I changed my last name by birth, Salmi, to my present last name Lahtinen, when I married my husband Manu Kristian Lahtinen on 31 July 1999.

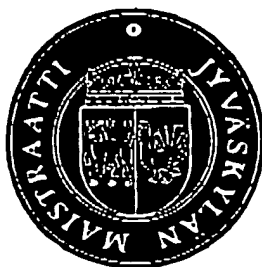
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Signed on Jyväskylä 16 th November 2001


Maarit Lahtinen

This is to certify the own hand signature of
Maarit Lahtinen née Salmi
Jyväskylä, the 16th day of November 2001.
Ex officio

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Auli Peltoniemi
Notarius Publicus

EXT. FROM THE POPULATION INFORMATION SYSTEM IN FINLAND



Official certificate / Birth certificate / Marriage certificate

Issued by Helsingin Maistraatti (Helsinki Register Office)

For authorities

Helsinki 29 October 2001

Place and date

Surname LAHTINEN née Salmi	First names Maarit Johanna
Date of birth 4 April 1972	Place of birth Heinolan mlk, Finland
Citizen of Finland	Marital status Married, living
Domicile Jyväskylä, Finland	Address Ristonmaantie 3 A 5 40500 JYVÄSKYLÄ
Further information Jyväskylän maistraatti	
Husband Manu Kristian LAHTINEN Born on 16 December 1970 Artjärvi, Finland Living, citizen of Finland Jyväskylän maistraatti	
Date of marriage 31 July 1999	
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